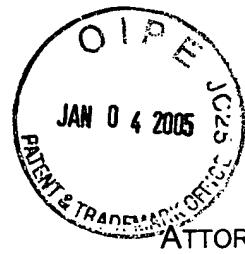


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**RESPONSE ACCOMPANYING TERMINAL DISCLAIMER TO OBVIATE
DOUBLE PATENTING REJECTION**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 4, 2004 please consider the following remarks, beginning on page 2.

It is not believed that extensions of time are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned for under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 033975 (Ref. No. 016472-0311707).